SHERMAN IN WINNSBORO.

The following letter was received by Mrs. G. H. McMaster in Richmond, Va., from Miss Margaret McMaster, after Sherman had passed through Winnsboro:

Dear Sister:-I suppose you have heard that we have had a visit from the Yankees at this place, which we thought the most secure in the Confederacy. I never thought they would ever come here, but if they did, we new it were worse than death if we are conquered. I know what the Yankees are now, and I hope I may never live to know them better. I our army pass through, but we were so excited and so busy having cooking done for them, and at the same time hiding our valuables from the Yankees, that it all seems like a confused dream. We feared Wheelers' cavalry too They did not do much stealing though.

We all lament now that we did not divide our flour and other provisions with our own men rather than let the Yankees have it all. The Sunday before the enemy came Dr. Palmer brought his family to stay with us, Harriet and the children. Monday

esolate in my life. There were not more than a dozen of our men, who children and negroes, and these every moment looking for an enemy and feering no mercy from them. I hope never to experience the same again. was quiet, and that night before Brother Riley came down

it. I thought this strange and though. as there was cotton stored all around right, for it was a trick of the Yankee The old shop next to Dr. Boyleston's scouts to deceive us and find out all my room with Harriet Palmer. Hattie etayed with ma, also the children. I went down stairs pretty early nexmorning, and rai-ing the curtain, saw two men on horse back dashing along and stopping just in front of the house. They stopped a negro man on a horse with a small white boy in front of him. I saw the negro whirl from the horse and leave the little boy for a few minutes alone. After the men passed went out to the little gate and asked time parties were going in ough seat the negro man who they were. He tering things in every direction out of the negro man who said to cosess, shelves and drawers, and taken they were larger they wished. They even him that if he did not tell them where ing whatever they wished. They even there was some liquor they would blow little Walter Thompson. I got in the bureau drawers with such things ns bureau drawers with such things ns were left in them were a sight. It said to him. "Those are Yankees whom we thought might be our scouts." the back gate toward the College. Ma and we were saved again. They car and Hattie went with him I went ried fire into the closet, but it was disup stairs to beg Harriet Palmer to covered in time to save the house. hurry and dress the children and hercame to me, "Oh Miss Margarer, the overcome. I cried and ran down.

them breaking that we could be either for they stole the bag of milcart's, Mr Elder's, stores who had be her also to k two but hels of dried fruit, office and Cato's shop. A man came in and asked for some flour soon after.

I gave him a small had the greatest under the floor in the wood closer.

They are their silver was and I be live got their silver.

In town Mrs. Wolfe and Mrs. Lander the floor in the wood closer. satisfied and thanked me.

they would search there also. We back part under the steps a plank was that we did not put more of our flour glass, also leather and a little wine. there. We also had corn up there tato then nailed the plank on again. and a box with homespuns, knives and In the od inmber room next to the ferent things which hid the door completely. In the other room were two
also. We have now a good deal of
every one passed through Winnsboro ferent things which hid the door com- We put some things under the hearth doors, but we could not conceal them corn (as they did not take much,) on their way to Alston That is over well and did not put anything in those some peas, our meal and one bag of with new though. Besides there is close to. We could see them taking boxes and bags from Jnc. Catheart's— all, no meat and very little corn. I the eld B-ulware house is burned. tobacco and other things. About an looks very much like stat vation somehour after breakfast a crowd came and times, but if the Yankees will let us service owing to his beath, they took took our flour without mercy and alone we may get on. All the mules whatever they could get their hands and horses were taken. Our three this g was taken at Mrs. Bell's all her and another that was not boiled Ma them-also our hogs and our buggy

sylvania. It is not our lookout whether you starve or not." I kept in Ma's room and did not let them see me and tried to keep Ma away from them, for I teared they would hurt her. They were a wretched looking set. One came to Ma for soda. I was the only one who knew where to get it. He was very impatient and halloed to Ma, "Are you not going to get the soda for me?" I ran in a hurry up stairs and got it and brought it to him. I said, 'It is all we have." He took it and said very roughly, "Are you sure bick hous also. My nich hous also. it is not poisoned?" I said I was not so wicked as that. He licked his tongne anticipated some pleasure in seeing when he got out of the house A guard had already been to every house in town nearly and acted in the same manner. The guards said if they could have come earlier they would tave prevented the taking of all the leventre's was borned and other side th Odd Fellows Hall

But you could not believe anything hey said, for the guards are no better than the rest. Our negroes were working for them all the time. When the foragers were taking the flour Nancy was enraged. She said, "Don't let them take all of our flour." I said, Nancy please don't talk, let them take ail, for we can't prevent it." I there was so much trouble. By f-ared they might burn the house once when they were taking the poultry. Nancy came in our room,

dark flour or middling. They left us a bag of middings, but we moved out reside here in town, and only women, on account of fire, and some of them took it We saved though a bag of here. She had expected to stay until rice which was in that same storeroom which we had concealed afterward. We gave up our house twice and we were in continual fear, as we heard several times that they were deter-mined to burn the town. Mrs. John and that night before several times that they were determined to burn the town. Mrs. John she might get among Whesler's three bouses in front of us cavalry, but Dr. Madden saw an officer of the several times that they were determined to burn the town. Mrs. John she might get among Whesler's three bouses in front of us cavalry, but Dr. Madden saw an officer and placed of the corner of the several times that they were determined to burn the town. Mrs. John cavalry, but Dr. Madden saw an officer and placed of the several times that they were determined to burn the town. Mrs. John cavalry, but Dr. Madden saw an officer and placed of the several times that they were determined to burn the town. Mrs. John cavalry, but Dr. Madden saw an officer and placed of the several times that they were determined to burn the town. coming in were our and Dr. Boyleston's on the corner the Ya kees; Some were burned. The range of the man

coundence was put in that report for they set are to the cotton in ringh toat in oack safely. Bro Riley Brother Riley spoke as if he believed Miller's old shop and it spread rapidly was so hot you could not stand in the passed by, "Do you think our house will burn?" "If it don't, it ought to." After a while I went out again and asked another one his opinion. He said, "Some one ought to be pouring water over the front and top of it. A. crowd of them were already in the yard helping us to move the furniture. They got a ladder and went up and poured water over the top and I think saved the house for us. At the same went out to the little gate and asked time parties were going through scata pretty salmon colored merino sack of little boy sitting so composed. He was mine, with many other things. Your were left in them were a sight. It would have distressed you to have come down to get some breakfast. I would have distressed you to have said to him. "Those are Yankees seen the house afterwards. The cotton in Charles Cathcart's lot was burned The fences were all knocked down

Cathcart's store, which had been self, for the Yankees had come. I had Brother Hugh's, had cotton in it also, just started down stairs when Nancy and we thought we were doomed; but after setting fire to some of the Yankees have Marse Riley!" I felt bales which were rolled out into the street, their office's made them stop. Soon after Hattie and Ma came in and It is a great wonder they did not burn said they had released him and he had it. It is a miracle almost that this spital. - A Yankee had house was spared and I know we are desked trait thankful We had very little of

We bad all our flour in the tittle things, a carpet also. He then shut store-reom at the head of the stairs, the door and put in the word and except two bags, one of which we sent every day Eunice, who sierps in the to the country and one to the garret in house, put her clothes in there on the those little dark closets. I feared to wood. No one would have suspected

is the last place to s Mrs. Clarke (E iz bet rs) sent two barrels of sugar th which is all gone. In able to hear much Billy. He said Ba broadcloth coat and one sick dress of min gone. I can't tell what ther things were there, D ckey's white shirts thing nice of his carpet bag full of clother hick boots also. My nic there also. They broke a for I forgot to set d the k say, therefore, we are fort pared to many others. I out-to Mrs. Nelson's as soon ap. She lives about six m

I will tell you of the first f occured on Tuesday. About are concerned. The cotton in sorry to say, and down to Mr Aikens, the building next to the house. I did not even know the Fellows hall was burned until a or two a terwards. I could not saved your chairs and what other ture was there anyhow, if I had I

it There was no one to sent they led us to believe they were to burn the whole town. I wour mother twice to come do Hattle McMaster and the children came in also and Brother Riley. On Sunday night Gen. Hampton and his staff stayed with us. They left Monday morning.

Our army though did not all leave till the evening. Some of Wheeler's cavalry then set fire to the lower depot where there was government corn and then left us all alone. I never felt as Jesolate in my life, There were not in all care in all care in also and Brother Riley. On Sunday not far off) and said, "I wooder what can be the matter with our dogs, they let these was government with our dogs, they let these was busy and to bring an and then lose your herse and buggy"
"She repeled, "Well, I was warned,
but felt like it must come." We started her off in about an hour after she gat next morning. Had she not gone then there is no telling when she could have got back. She took your quits, goblets, and a few more of your things with her. I feared for her very much lest

kitchen, two negro houses and gin was filled with cotton also; our house was so hot you could not stand in the in coordance with original action of partially undressed and slept in front piazza I said to a Yankee who meat was all found, his flour and lard ratiof 2 cents for each \$100 is retained also and a great deal of his corn and a and the senate amendment making little of his silver. Four of their negro boys also went off- Lark, Adam, Dan and another. Bro. Riley and Hattie sent their clothes, a few mahogany chairs and valuables to their Johnston place. Hattie heard that her nice quilts, a great meny counterpanes and five si k dresses were all taken. She has now about six counterpanes out of twenty and four or five old common quitts which were sent in to Mrs. Denows around the piano and recovered two silk dresses from the negroes. She thinks she may get some more from the negroes around. She had many beautiful quilts. I hope she may recover some They stayed with us until yesterday. They are living at present at the Johnston place about five miles from Winnsboro. Ike saved Bro. Riley's riding mare for him He has one mule which the Yankees shot is the neck, but which is able to do is the neck, but which is able to do some work. A great many old males have been picked up by different people We have sent Billy up to the river to look for some one to try to bu, som. Hundreds of mules, horses and cow- are ling dead all along the roads. Houses are burnt all though the country Among them Mr. Hend-rin, Squire Brice, who with his family, are living in a carriage house with a fire in front. Both of E. P. Mobiev's houses as well as the one on the June place. The other Ed. Mebley's, the Wm. Ellison house, and I can't tell

under the floor in the wood closer, abundandance and scarcely felt the war, are, you may say, reduced to poverty. Mrs. Ladd, Mrs. Frank tableligious, literary or educational Emer, and many others, are also home- chater. less. John Adge 's house is also burnt, Th-y smashed dishes and cut up furnihide much there as I felt certain that any door being there. Also in the did the same at Bro. Riley's. He ore there. What the neuroes wished dreaded fire. I regret now though taken fi and we hid there plates and but still left a quantity of things there besides his furniture. They were so some coffee, which were saved. In smoke-house we had some sugar buried could be done. Living on the public that room there was only one door on and some dishes. I wore my jewelry road as they did, soldiers stopped there one side and we put the bed before the around my wai-t, and Brother Henry a great deal. Everybody took them Musco Boulware who has not been in surance \$3 000 000; leases, \$200 000; and another that was not boiled Ma followed them and begged them to leave us some flour and said we might to Mrs. Nelson's in the country, a very out-of-the-way place, but the country bears and said we might to Mrs. Nelson's in the country are out-of-the-way place, but the country bears and silk dresses. One presented a pistol at Miss Mary proprietary medicines, cosmatic and Mackenzie and made her give up her chewing got to Mrs. Nelson's in the country watch which she prized highly as it had been Jimmie Boyd's. She had \$7,000 small cigars and cigarettes.

liver belonging to two of her friends hich the Yankees also got. Cousin am Douglass sent a quantity of prob keep for her and lost it all. The Cankees did not go to her house at all, Note. - Capt. James Macfie's cavalry fterwards killed this gang of maraud-rs and recovered the jewelry taken rom those ladies.

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THE BILL AS AMENDED

tion Made in the War Revenue Act Washington, Feb. 28. -- The conferees the senate and the house upon the revenue reduction bill to-day aunced the result of their deliberaupon that measure. It shows a promise all along the lines of the the changes in the present law ing as follows:

Tobacco-Twenty per cent. discount the original tax of 12 cents per

reighing less than three pounds, the senate rate of 18 cents per was allowed to stand, as against of \$1 per 1,000 as fixed by ting law, which was not dis

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sal of merchandise in actual course of ransportation was accepted, but theate of 1 cent for each 100, as fixed byte present law, was retained, the sete amendment making the rate \$2 ber disagreed to.
nk Checks-Repealed in accord-

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ki of insurance in accordance with thetion of the house, the senate corees receding on all senate amend-

mahip Passage Tickets-Exend below \$50 in value and the raxed at 50 cents for each \$50 in coir that price and over. Frietary Medicines-Tax repealed

in rdance with house action, the senamendment being disagreed to. Licies - Law modified so as to ex-

Ttotal reduction of the revenues as seed upon aggregates about \$11,-000.(as against \$40,000,000 as it passahe house and \$45,000,000 as amend in the senate.

Therovisions of the bill as agreed upon ill take effect on the first of next dy. Theollowing are detailed estimates

of reactions made by Representative Payneone of the house conferees. Compercial brokers, \$138,000: certificate of deposits. \$200,00; promissory nes, \$3 500.000; bills of lading for exprt, \$100,000; telegraph disparches \$800,000; telephone messages, \$315.00(; bonds, other than indemnity, \$25.000; certificates not otherwise pecified, \$200,000; charters party, \$100,000; conveyances, \$1,750,000; inmortgages, \$500,000; passage tickets, \$100 000; power of attorney, \$100,000;

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